

**Assembly Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 86**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Hueso**

January 4, 2012

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 86—Relative to hate crimes.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 86, as introduced, Hueso. No Place for Hate (registered trademark) Month.

This measure would designate February 2012 as No Place for Hate (registered trademark) Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, Hatred and bigotry remain significant and  
2 dangerous problems in the United States and in California; and  
3 WHEREAS, An act of hate committed against any one person  
4 is also an act against the entire community; and  
5 WHEREAS, It is the right of every person to live with the  
6 expectation that he or she will not be physically, emotionally, or  
7 psychologically abused or intimidated; and  
8 WHEREAS, All people should be treated with courtesy and  
9 respect, regardless of their racial background, the language they  
10 speak, their nation of origin, the religion they practice, their real  
11 or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, age, or disability;  
12 and  
13 WHEREAS, We honor, respect, and protect the diversity that  
14 makes California one of the most culturally rich areas of the world,  
15 and celebrate multiculturalism and diversity as a necessity of life;  
16 and

1 WHEREAS, Although discrimination has declined over the  
2 years, Californians will not be satisfied until hate is eliminated  
3 completely; and

4 WHEREAS, The State of California can move toward this goal  
5 by enacting the Anti-Defamation League's No Place for Hate  
6 (registered trademark) program, which enables people to challenge  
7 anti-Semitism, racism, homophobia, and all forms of bigotry in  
8 their communities and schools. By providing resources and  
9 education to California school districts, this program seeks to  
10 provide a model for responding to and preventing acts of hatred,  
11 enhances an appreciation for diversity, and fosters harmony; and

12 WHEREAS, Hate has no place in California, and every person  
13 deserves the basic principles of equality and civil rights guaranteed  
14 to all persons by the United States Constitution and the Bill of  
15 Rights; now, therefore, be it

16 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
17 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby designates the  
18 month of February 2012 as No Place for Hate (registered  
19 trademark) Month, and urges that the issue of hate crimes, and the  
20 methods of preventing them, be discussed with appropriate  
21 activities in schools during this month; and be it further

22 *Resolved*, That the Legislature encourages the people of  
23 California to adopt a culture of tolerance, to accept diversity, and  
24 to embrace each other as individuals every day of every year; and  
25 be it further

26 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies  
27 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.